

SBS NEWS *In Brief*

I-MANAGE Standard Budget System

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SBS Spotlight

Budget POCs Briefing

On February 27th in Germantown and February 28th in Forrestal, the SBS Team met with Budget Points of Contact (POCs) from Program and Staff Offices to update them on SBS activities in Q1 of FY2007.

During the meetings, our team discussed accomplishments to date, project changes, and provided directions to access the completed process models which were developed based on our meetings together in October and November.

The SBS Team appreciated the feedback and interest expressed by the POCs for future involvement in SBS. To continue this important dialogue with our user community, we will be establishing a POC working group on a regular basis in the future. We are developing the details and will be proposing a schedule soon.

A Refresher – What is SBS?

SBS is a system for budget formulation, distribution, performance and reporting that will streamline budget processes. It will replace:

- Budget Table System (BTS)
- Funds Distribution System (FDS)
- Program Activity by Location System (PALS)

SBS will interface with Program Office budget systems as well as I-MANAGE accounting (STARS) and data warehouse (IDW), PA&E performance (Joule), and Field budget systems (BEARS and FCDS).

Project Timeline Update

The SBS Project Timeline has changed to adjust for reduced staff resulting from the Continuing Resolution (CR).

Our new schedule extends the requirements phase and combines the formulation and distribution acquisitions. The benefits of this are:

- Lower acquisition risk due to more detailed analysis upfront
- More funds for acquisition in FY2008 and FY2009
- Deployment schedule fits better with the DOE budget cycle

Visit the SBS website for a detailed view of the timeline.

Requirements Validation

SBS is refining budget distribution requirements, reviewing current budget reports, and define reporting requirements. When we have completed these tasks, we will ask our stakeholders to:

- Review and validate the refined requirements
- Formally accept the requirements with signoff by stakeholder executives

Reviewing your Process Models

We have developed composite formulation models for Corporate Program Review (CPR) and OMB-Congressional as well as office-specific models to capture your unique processes.

Please review your models, which are available with directions on the SBS website, and coordinate responses through your designated POC. We need feedback from all offices by March 16th.